

Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners

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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS SUMMARILY SUSPENDS LICENSE OF A PHYSICIAN AT EMERGENCY MEETING

At an emergency Board meeting on June 16, 2006, the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners summarily suspended the medical license of Las Vegas physician, Harriston L. Bass, Jr., M.D.

A complaint was filed against Dr. Bass, charging him with nine violations of NRS 630.301(4), for committing malpractice in his prescribing controlled substances for Patients A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H and I; nine violations of NRS 630.306(5), for practicing beyond the scope of his practice in his prescribing controlled substances for Patients A. B, C, D, E, F, G, H and I; a violation of NRS 630.306(2)(c) and NAC 453.410, for dispensing controlled substances to his patients without being registered with the Board of Pharmacy to dispense controlled substances; a violation of NRS 630.3062(1), for failing to maintain timely, legible, accurate and complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patients A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H and I; a violation of NAC 630.230(1)(I), for failing to comply with the Model Guidelines for the Use of Controlled Substances for the Treatment of Pain, adopted by reference in NAC 630.187, in treating his patients; and a violation of NRS 630.306(3), for administering, dispensing and prescribing controlled substances to others except as authorized by law. The Board found that the continued practice of medicine by Dr. Bass in Nevada during the pendency of time necessary for a hearing on this complaint would endanger the health, safety and welfare of his patients.

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